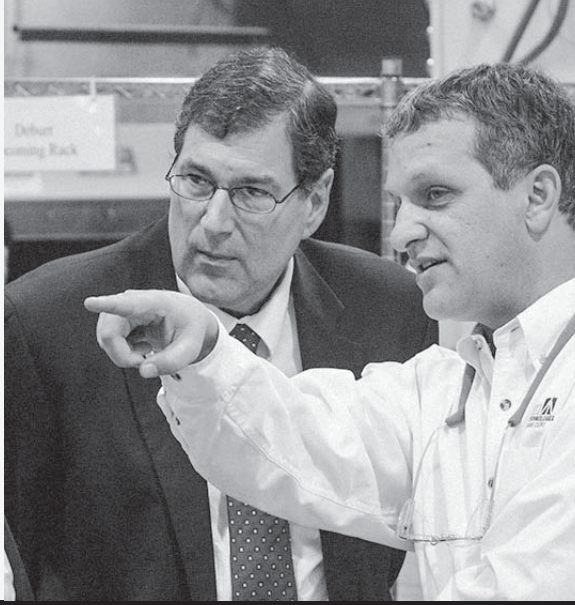




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Washington, DC may be mired in partisan gridlock, but in Connecticut we're working together to address the state's most pressing issues.

Our bipartisan jobs bill is starting to put people back to work and help small businesses grow.

One program created in that bill, the STEP-Up program, has had over 377 small businesses and manufacturers participate and over 1100 individuals hired.



Just months ago, Democrats and Republicans also agreed to a budget plan that balances this year's books with real and responsible spending cuts.

Like most states, we are just beginning to recover from the global recession and tough decisions still need to be made. The next two-year budget must include not only spending cuts, but also investments that grow jobs and protect Connecticut's working families and seniors.



In the wake of the horrific tragedy in Newtown we are also coping with enormous grief—and the responsibility to act. We've formed a bipartisan task force to craft legislation that aims to reduce gun violence and better protect our children.

